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NEWS BRIEFS

Hot Volunteer Opportunities

The Kunsan Education Board is looking for volunteers to teach English each Saturday from September through December to third grade to 12th grade Korean students. For more information, call Ms. Rosemary Song at 782-5194.

Home Visitation Program

The Korean Red Cross Home Visitation Program offers an all-expenses paid chance to spend an evening with a local family. People leave Saturday for Jeon-Ju and return Sunday evening. Available June 25. For more information, call Ms. Rosemary Song at 782-5194.

New Bus Route

A bus is now available to Kunsan City each Friday and Saturday. It leaves the CAC at 7 and 8 p.m. and returns to the base at 11 p.m. and midnight. Prices are \$3 one way or \$5 roundtrip.

New Refill Process

Wolf Pack members may now call in refills to 782-7146. Refills called in Monday through Thursday will be ready for pick up the following day and those called in Friday through Sunday will be ready the following duty day. Members must have the prescription number and the last four digits of the sponsor's social security number to use the system.

Chemical Gear Turn In

Airmen are reminded to return their chemical warfare gear no earlier than three days prior to their final out processing appointment. Wolf Pack members who try to turn them in beforehand will be turned away.

Phone Bills

The 8th Comptroller Squadron has installed a new notification system, using leave web to contact Wolf Pack members monthly to notify them of an impending deduction from their pay for phone services. Airman may have received an e-mail notification for the first time May 17. The standard deduction is \$34.68 for most members but may vary due to toll charges for some. Unless there is a discrepancy with the amount owed on the bill, Airmen should not contact the finance office. For questions regarding this contact email, Staff Sgt. Greg Gifford at gregory.gifford@kunsan.af.mil.



Photo by Staff Sgt. Alan Port

DANCE OF HERITAGE

Capt. Elisa Amantiad, 8th Medical Operations Squadron deputy chief of bioenvironmental, performs a traditional hula dance at the Asian-Pacific Heritage Month Luau Saturday. The luau included food from different tasting of Asian-Pacific meals, sumo wrestling and dancing by local dance teams. See Page 8 for more details on the luau.

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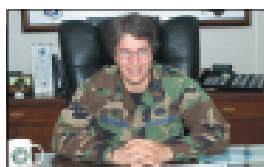
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Wolf Weather

6-day Forecast

Saturday Hi/Low 77/55 Partly Cloudy	Sunday Hi/Low 79/58 Sunny	Monday Hi/Low 78/58 Partly Cloudy
Tuesday Hi/Low 77/58 Partly Cloudy	Wednesday Hi/Low 77/58 Rain	Thursday Hi/Low 74/58 Rain

A time for remembrance

By Gen. Paul Hester
Pacific Air Forces commander

Ladies and gentlemen — It is my honor to be with you today as we remember all the men and women who have paid the ultimate price to preserve the freedoms that make ours the greatest nation in the world.

For many, Memorial Day marks the beginning of summer. Communities are coming together for parades and other festive celebrations. But let's not forget the real reason why this day has been set aside as a national holiday.

Memorial Day is a day of remembrance for those who have died in service to our country. It is the time for us to reconnect with our nation's history and our national values by honoring those who gave their lives for the ideals we cherish.

This tradition began more than 100 years ago following the end of the Civil War. After that terrible war, family members of the many soldiers slain in battle would visit the grave sites of their fallen relatives or friends and decorate their graves with flowers. The first state to officially recognize the holiday was New York in 1873, and by 1890 it was recognized by all of the northern states. The tradition continued to

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— Gen. Paul Hester
Pacific Air Force commander

change and evolve until 1971, when Memorial Day was declared a national holiday to be held every year on the last Monday of May.

But we're not just here to mourn these heroes, we're here to celebrate them and their sacrifices; their willingness to put service before self has protected the freedoms we enjoy. I encourage you to talk with some of their comrades who served during World War II, Vietnam, Korea or South-west Asia. Listen to their stories, but realize there are many stories you will never hear.

The Air Force core values are Integrity First, Service before Self and Excellence in All We Do. Our Airmen who are fighting and dying for the freedoms of the Afghani and Iraqi people have these core values instilled in them.

These stalwarts of our military, unrelenting in battle, unwavering in loyalty, unsurpassed in honor and decency, have made our nation more secure. They've laid down

their lives for our freedoms — doing whatever mission was necessary — search and rescue, combat or humanitarian assistance; for a future of peace, prosperity and justice for us all.

Their sacrifices — along with a thousand others — are strengthening new allies in the war on terror, and bringing hope, stability and progress to a troubled region. And, ultimately will lift a terrible threat from the lives of our children and grandchildren.

Freedom of this kind is found in precious few countries the world over. When compared to other nations, America always emerges the champion, with the most liberty and the most opportunities. People of every race, ethnicity and background come here, or spend their lives trying to come here, because of what we stand for and the freedoms we guarantee to everyone.

Today, we remember that at this moment — as we are enjoying this wonderful day and making plans for the summer — men and women of the

Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, and Coast Guard have served and sacrificed — and are still doing so — around the world. They are admirably contributing to the continued struggle to reach a lasting peace. They deserve the support and gratitude of those of us left behind.

So please take a few moments, and remember these brave men and women. Remember who they were, what they fought for and what they left behind for us. Remember the values they stood for and remember why they were willing to give up their lives for these United States of America.

Today at 3 p.m. wherever you are, please pause for the Memorial Day National Moment of Remembrance established by Congress. This *Moment* of reflection and rededication to give back to our country in memory of our fallen is an act of national unity. You will be demonstrating your gratitude and respect for those who died for our freedom. One Nation, One Moment.

I am reminded of the very fitting words found on graves and war memorials around the world, "When you go home, tell them of us and say, for their tomorrow, we gave our today." We may never fully appreciate all the sacrifices made for us, but let us use our gift of today to honor those who made them.



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Col. William W. Uhle Jr.
Commander, 8th Fighter Wing

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Safety is key to a great summer

101 critical days of summer observance begins this weekend

By Lt. Gen. Garry Trexler
7th Air Force commander

The '101 Critical Days of Summer' starts with Memorial Day weekend and runs through the beginning of September. The summer months are inherently hazardous due to increased outdoor activity. Each unit must have an active summer safety program to ensure we keep our people safe. Put special emphasis on operations tempo, heat-related affects, alcohol consumption, water-related activities, seat belt usage and those risks unique to your mission and the local area.

Twenty-six mishaps occurred in 7th Air Force over our last three summers. One, a fatal on-duty industrial mishap, was preventable with training. The primary contributing factors in most of these accidents were poor judgment and lapses in self-discipline. Unfortunately, our summer mishap rates climbed steadily over the last three years. We need to reverse this trend now. We can do that

through smart personal and operational risk management practices sound judgment.

This year Pacific Air Forces has adopted the 'I can save my own life' campaign to highlight the importance of individuals taking responsibility of their own actions. Applying personal risk management throughout everything you do is the place to start. Here in 7th AF we embrace this theme and place it right alongside our wingman program. Take personal responsibility for your actions, and use your wingman.

Commanders and supervisors must stress to your Airmen they hold the key to their own well-being. When your Airmen take an unnecessary risk, there is a price to pay. Proper training, taking a few extra seconds to think things through and sound self disciplined decision making is a proven lifesaver.

Prevention begins with the choices we make. I encourage everyone in 7th AF to enjoy the summer months and please do it safely. We need every Airman ready to fight tonight.

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'Defend the base, accept follow-on forces, take the fight North'

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Wolf Pack says farewell to Col. Uhle

By Col. William Uhle Jr.
8th Fighter Wing commander

It's hard to believe, but it's already time for me to bid farewell to the Wolf Pack. As many of you well know, 12 months go by very quickly at Kunsan, and it's been my pleasure to be associated with everyone here and to have the opportunity to lead the Wolf Pack.

It's been a great assignment, and I've really enjoyed my time here. The Wolf Pack has accomplished a lot while I've been here, and I'm really proud what all of you have done to make this a better place. We've worked hard and trained hard to practice our three-fold mission to defend the base, accept follow-on forces and take the flight north. A few short weeks ago, we demonstrated our awesome warfighting capability to the Pacific Air Forces inspector general team, who ranked us as the most combat capable fighter wing in the Pacific.

Take a bow; you've earned it.

Although my time is up, there are many things the wing must accomplish in the coming months. The wing's unit compliance inspection will be here before you know it, and there's a lot of work involved to be fully ready for that type of in-depth review. Meanwhile, there are a lot of major projects in the planning stages that will take the base's quality of life to the next level. It's up to you to carry on this charge.

Kunsan has an extremely important mission that you perform every day. You've proven you do it better than all the rest. Thanks for all you do for the Wolf Pack, 7th Air Force and U.S. Forces Korea.

Keep on charging!



Photo by Capt. Richard Komurek

Col. William Uhle Jr., 8th Fighter Wing commander, makes a farewell video with Armed Forces Network, following his final flight Tuesday. Col. Uhle relinquishes command of the 8th FW at a change of command ceremony Tuesday.



Photos by Staff Sgt. Alan Port

RIGHT: Col. Uhle gets sprayed after his final flight Tuesday. ABOVE: Col. Uhle spent many Friday mornings addressing the Wolf Pack on issues regarding the base.



101 Critical Days of Summer begin Monday

By Staff Sgt. Jeffrey Graham
8th Fighter Wing Safety Office

Each year commencing on Memorial Day weekend and ending on Labor Day weekend the United States Air Force observes the 101 Critical Days of Summer. The 101 CDS have historically been a time of high accidents and fatalities throughout the AF.

The summer typically brings increased opportunities for many off-duty outdoor activities and travel. Depending on those activities, there may also be an increase in mishap potential. Also, since a majority of our travel occurs in the summer, people going home may be exposed to greater risk simply through participation in activities they weren't able to enjoy while stationed here. Examples are motorcycle riding and water activities such as water skiing, boating and swimming. This year the 8th FW safety office is partnering with unit safety representatives, Public affairs and the Wolf pack leadership in an effort to reduce mishaps and prevent any fatalities to the Wolf pack family.

Often we focus our safety briefings on local activities and forget that many will be enjoying leave in the CONUS. This summer we ask Commanders, supervisors and co-workers to consider leave activities that are not Korea specific when

giving briefings. We want everyone to enjoy their summer vacations and return safely to the peninsula. This year's campaign will focus on such areas as Sports and recreation, Motorcycle riding, Long distance travel and personal risk management.

Last year, injuries put Wolf Pack people off work a total of 136 days, costing the wing nearly \$52,000 in lost productivity. Across the Air Force, 32 people died in 2004 compared to 37 in 2003. Common factors in these injuries and deaths included alcohol, speeding and not using seatbelts or helmets.

Does the fact that Kunsan hasn't had a fatal mishap recently mean that we needn't be concerned about the 101 Critical Days of Summer? NO! All mishaps, no matter how minor, affect our mission here. Every time a person is placed on light duty or quarters, that is one less person able to do their job to the fullest capability and requires someone else to pick up the ball and run.

The 8th FW safety office has provided many tools such as PACAF CARES and "I can save my own life" that can be incorporated into your summer briefings. This summer let's Access the risk, Consider the options and Take action in all our activities. From the 8th FW safety office to yours we wish you a fun and SAFE 101 days of summer!

Critically manned career fields to receive promotion advantage

WASHINGTON — Airmen in 17 Air Force specialties will be given a leg up for promotion this year in an attempt to fill manning shortfalls in their career fields.

As part of the chronic critical shortage skills program, Airmen testing for staff, technical or master sergeants during the 2005 promotion cycle, and who are in 17 career fields, will be promoted at 1.2 times the Air Force average.

For example, if the Air Force average for a particular promotion is 15 percent, then the critical skills would be promoted at a promotion rate of 18 percent.

Career fields are considered for placement on the list when the number of staff, technical and master sergeants is below and projected to remain below 90 percent, said Reese Lang, the Air Force enlisted skills manager.

Once placed on the list, the specialty remains on it for at least two years and until noncommissioned officers manning in the career

fields is above 95 percent.

"Basically this is to help these career fields that have NCO shortages," Mr. Lang said. "And this is done every year for the NCO promotion cycle. It is part of the promotion cycle."

Specialties on the 2005 list are:

- ♦ Loadmaster
- ♦ Airborne Communications and electronics systems
- ♦ Airborne battle management
- ♦ Airborne cryptologic linguist
- ♦ Air traffic control
- ♦ Combat control
- ♦ Command post
- ♦ Aerospace control and warning systems
- ♦ Space system operations
- ♦ Intelligence applications
- ♦ Imagery analysis
- ♦ Network intelligence Analysis
- ♦ Electronic signals intelligence exploitation
- ♦ Electronic systems security
- ♦ Assessment
- ♦ Pararescue
- ♦ Weather
- ♦ F-16, F-117, RQ-1, CV-22 avionics systems

Top dog: Military working dog teams claim top honors at Osan

By 1st Lt. Michelle Estep
8th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

The Wolfpack was well-represented by four teams of K-9 handlers and their dogs from the 8th Security Forces Squadron during the second annual United States Forces Korea Military Working Dog competition held last week at Osan Air Base.

Throughout the five-day rivalry, twenty teams from around the peninsula were tested in narcotics detection, explosive detection, obedience, tactical obedience and overall patrol. Kunsan walked away with several prestigious awards after defeating the Army, Republic of Korea Customs and the 51st Security Forces K-9 teams on their own turf.

Staff Sgt. Paul Christensen and his dog Bak placed first in overall patrol while Staff Sgt. Jeff Justice and his dog Damon followed closely behind with a second place trophy.

Three of the four Kunsan teams placed first, fourth and fifth in the Top Dog category and the 8th SFS kennels was awarded the traveling Commander's Cup for the coveted Best Kennel Team in United States



Photos by Airman Melinda Fields

Staff. Sgt. Chris Marcione acts as a decoy for Bak, a military working dog May 18 during the United States Forces Korea Military Working Dog competition.

Forces Korea award.

"I'm very impressed with the K-9 handlers and their performance at the competition, I'm proud of work they do each day and the extra effort they put forth. We have an outstanding K-9 section here which is evident by them winning the top kennel award", said Lt Col Kenneth Holliday, 8th Security Forces commander.

Countless hours of team building

exercises and rigorous physical training were spent beforehand preparing the teams for the contest.

"We started training about four weeks before the competition," said Staff Sgt. Chris Marcione, 8th SFS dog handler and competitor.

"The training focused primarily on explosive and narcotics detection and physical endurance among the handlers and the dogs. The competition was a great experience and it made us more prepared to overcome any

obstacles set in front of us during our remote tour here and on real-world missions."

There are over 2000 military working dogs in the Department of Defense most of whom serve dual purposes; patrol and detection. The K-9 section at Kunsan is the second largest in Pacific Air Forces and will be proudly displaying their new trophies until the competition next year.



The week-long military working dog competition tested the dog's narcotics and explosive detection abilities as well as their tactical obedience and control. Kunsan Airmen brought home top honors from the competition.

Air Force launches 'eMail for life'

By Master Sgt. Mitch Gettle
Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON — The Air Force began the first phase of a new e-mail system May 6 that will enhance communication of Airmen worldwide.

AF eMail (aka eMail-for-Life) is a single, static e-mail address that will not change during the career of an Airman or Air Force civilian employee.

The current e-mail system, rapid mobility of the force and frequent assignments and career development opportunities outside the Air Force can make it difficult for Airmen to

communicate".

At any given time, we can only reliably connect and communicate with 79 percent of our force through e-mail," said Capt. Kirk Phillips, information technology division chief at the Air Force Senior Leader Management Office.

"E-mail is the most critical communication tool that we're using to implement force development and transform our personnel process. Industry-standard e-business solutions require static e-mail addresses, and that is the direction the Air Force is headed," Captain Phillips said.

"Airmen will be able to

complete personnel actions in minutes through e-mail and the Internet, along with other benefits, he said.

"Not only is there a huge potential for Air Force cost avoidance, but mission support will be greatly enhanced by empowering every member to reliably connect and communicate with each other without worry about changing e-mail addresses every couple of years," Captain Phillips said.

"We'll be able to transform personnel processes under the Air Force directorate of personnel's personnel service delivery model and empower members and databases to connect and communicate

through e-business applications instead of local personnel flights."

Those personnel processes include: official personnel notifications and announcements; command, promotion and professional military education candidacy and selection; and retirement, assignment, evaluation, feedback and decoration processing.

Officials said they plan for the Air Force to be fully capable under AF eMail by 2007. Currently, every senior Air Force official has been provided an account.

We've segmented the force based on mission requirements and will slowly scale

the availability to the entire force versus an all-at-once implementation," Captain Phillips said. "We started with the highest level leaders, and our plan is to offer it to other segments of the force this summer."

During the initial stages, Airmen will continue to use their local or major command e-mail accounts as well as the AF eMail account.

"Until the migration of e-mail accounts happens, it's each member's responsibility to check the AF eMail account on a regular basis," Captain Phillips said.

"That's where their career-affecting personnel actions will be."

PRIDE OF THE PACK

Unit: 80th Fighter Squadron
Duties: NCOIC, Senior enlisted advisor
Hometown: Stamford, Conn.
Follow-on: N/A
Hobbies: Art, volleyball, traveling and off-roading

Favorite music: Rhythm and blues, country and jazz
Last good movie: The Contender
Best thing you've done here: "Molding Airmen into future NCOs, got really involved with my squadron and sharing experiences."

Tech. Sgt. Jason Barksdale



"Tech. Sgt. Jason Barksdale, has repeatedly demonstrated exceptional leadership and dedication to the 'Wolf Pack' mission. As noncommissioned officer in charge and squadron aviation resource management section, he superbly managed every aspect of this demanding position. He has received the Pacific Air Force inspector general's highest praise during the 8th Fighter Wing's 2005 Pacific Air Force operational readiness inspection. Sgt. Barksdale possesses unrivaled leadership and management skills evident by his effective guidance and mentorship to the 80th FS enlisted personnel. Sgt. Barksdale is an exceptional NCO who soars unrivaled and performs at the highest level of leadership and trust. He epitomizes the pride of the pack."

- Lt. Col. Steven Clapp
80th Fighter Squadron commander

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photo by Senior Airman Katrina Shellman

As the new 8th Mission Support Group commander, Col. Linda Urrutia-Varhall took charge of the base’s civil engineer, communications-computer systems support, security and law enforcement, transportation, supply, personnel, logistic readiness, education, food services, housing and recreation agencies.

From the Falcon’s view

New mission support group leader shares perspective on Kunsan

By Airman 1st Class
Juanika Glover
8th fighter Wing Public Affairs

Editor’s Note: Col. Linda Urrutia-Varhall, assumed command of the 8th Mission Support Group in a ceremony May 16. The Wolf Pack Warrior recently had an opportunity to sit down with Col. Urrutia-Varhall, or Col. UV for short, and found out a little about who she is and what she thinks of Kunsan so far.

Wolf Pack Warrior:
What has been your first impression of Kunsan so far?

Col. Urrutia-Varhall: I’ve loved it from the moment I arrived on the base. At my change of command I mentioned that I wanted to come here. I asked other people what it was like, and I never heard one bad word. Everyone told me it was a great assignment.

We’re always talking about how the real Air Force is out there and I think I’ve found it. It’s focused on a mission. You’re at the pointy end of a stick, you have absolute confidence with the people at Pacific Air Force pushing you to do good things, and the camaraderie here is like nothing I’ve ever seen. I think everyone should be able to experience the, ‘real Air Force’, and I think it’s at Kunsan.

WPW: *What is your leadership philosophy?*

Col. UV: My learning curve is exponential. I’m a mission support group commander with six

squadrons beneath me. I’m not afraid to learn and ask questions. The people in the field are in the experts, whether it’s a Airman digging a ditch, an Airman on post, or my squadron commanders.

Those are the right ones with the knowledge and expertise to get stuff done. I should be their advocate and help them out when we have tough issues that need to go to the Wolf or even higher. I believe in charging my young Airmen and lieutenants the right to make mistakes.

I want them to be innovative in what they do. I want them to come to me with new ideas. The motto I’ve always lived by is ‘dare to be wrong.’ What that means is starting with new initiatives down a path that may mean going right instead of left and then going a different direction if we realized we made a mistake.

I want my Airmen and young lieutenants to know it’s okay to make a mistake. I want them to know how important their job is. A lot of times at large bases the Airmen and lieutenants don’t know what their part is in the base mission. But they need to know that if it wasn’t for everything they do on a daily basis we wouldn’t be able to go on our flying missions.

WPW: *What is the 8th Mission Support Group to you?*

Col. UV: The mission support group is really getting my guys to fly,

fight and win. If we don’t do what we do at 8th MSG, people aren’t taken care of. We have to give Airmen something to do in their down time. We work hard and ensure everything is set up on the base. We cover valued support with every squadron from 8th Services Squadron to 8th Civil Engineer Squadron. We’re involved in all behind the scenes things on the base. We make sure morale remains high.

WPW: *What are some of your goals for the 8th MSG during the upcoming year?*

Col. UV: One of the things I’d like to do is expand the wingman program a little more. I’d like to try some different initiatives, whether we have some wingman cards or have a wingman of the month. I’d also like to build on the 2005 camaraderie, perhaps with fun runs and different things that we can do together.

One of the things I’d like to see is the Class of 2006 being as tight as the Class of 2005. The morale here is great and camaraderie is like nothing I’ve seen anywhere else. I think they gave us a great building block and I just hope we continue to keep it.

WPW: *What advice do you have for your Airmen wishing to excel in their Air Force careers?*

Col. UV: I would take advantage of getting some education under your belt while you’re here at

Kunsan. There’s no excuse not to start studying for some of your promotions. There’s no better place to do it. This is also a great place to get noticed.

Airmen with initiatives get noticed. You’d be surprised at who will think a simple idea is great. Airmen should also volunteer and get involved in the community. But again, education is most important. I also hope Airmen understand that they are vital to the mission. With force shaping, everyone needs to understand they must do their jobs to keep from putting strain on another person. There are no bad jobs in the Air Force. Everyone’s job is what you make it. No one has to stay within the parameters of their job description. Make that job what you want it to be. Leave the Air Force saying ‘maybe I had bosses that were difficult to work with, but I never had a bad job’.

WPW: *Do you have anything to add about your self or the 8th MSG?*

Col. UV: I am very personable. I want to meet the Airmen and lieutenants on the street. In fact, most of the time don’t be afraid if you see me walking. I walk because you can’t talk to me if I’m driving.

I want to get to know people. I truly want to know how everyone’s day is. That’s how I know what the pulse of the base is. If I don’t talk to the troops, then that’s bad on me because I won’t really know what’s going on out there.

FYI

During her career, Col. Linda Urrutia-Varhall has served in various squadron, wing and higher headquarters positions as an intelligence officer. She became the first Air Force representative in the National Military Intelligence Center at the Pentagon. In 1998, she was named to command the first Air Force Information Warfare Flight at 9th Air Force and Central Air Forces headquarters at Shaw Air Force Base, S.C. The following are more career highlights.

1985

Executive officer and operation deputy, 544th Intelligence Analysis Squadron, Offutt Air Force Base, Neb.

1987

Strategic intelligence architecture plans chief and later intelligence briefing officer for the commander in chief of Headquarters Strategic Air Command, Offutt AFB

1988

Intelligence facility development engineer, 544th Strategic Intelligence Wing, Offutt AFB

1989

Air Force intelligence representative to National Military Intelligence Center, the Pentagon, Washington, D.C.

1990

Executive support officer to the Secretary of Defense, Office of the Secretary of Defense, the Pentagon

1993

International politico-military affairs officer, Somalia Task Force, International Security Affairs, Office of the Secretary of Defense, the Pentagon

1995

Senior watch officer, crisis management division chief and information warfare division chief, Pacific Joint Intelligence Center, Pearl Harbor Naval Base, Hawaii

1999

Commander, 9th Air Force Central Air Forces Information Warfare Flight, and later commander, Detachment 3, 67th Intelligence Group, Shaw AFB, S.C.

2002

Chief, analysis branch and battle captain (deployed), Joint Intelligence Center, Headquarters U.S. Central Command, MacDill AFB, Fla., and Camp Asayliyah, Qatar

2004

Director of intelligence, Headquarters U.S. Air Forces Europe, Ramstein Air Base, Germany

TODAY

Family Support Center – The center’s personal financial management briefing starts at 3 p.m., FSC briefing room. It’s geared for those in the E-1 to E-4 pay grades. No registration required.
Falcon Community Center -- Karaoke night runs from 8 p.m. to 2 a.m.

SATURDAY

Loring Club – The band Faded performs on the base football field at 7 p.m. Food and beverages are served at 5 p.m. A Ping Pong tournament begins in the ballroom with an all-nighter featured in the lounge and ballroom.
Family Support Center – A Kunsan City walking tour begins at 9:30 a.m. The group meets at the city bus stop by the main gate. People should bring at least 20,000 Won for bus transportation, lunch and incidentals. To sign up, call 782-5644 or 782-3771.
West Winds Golf Course – A two-person scramble tournament shotgun start begins at 7:30 a.m.
Yellow Sea Bowling Center – Bowl for 50 cents per game with 50-cent shoe rental. The center also holds a ninepin tournament at 6 p.m. with a \$17 entry fee.
Falcon Community Center – The Kunsan Fear Factor II competition begins.
Wolf Pack Fitness Center – Softball double elimination tournament continues through Monday.

SUNDAY

Loring Club – Sunday brunch runs from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and costs \$11.95 for club members. Bingo begins at 2 p.m. with a \$1,000 give away. The enlisted lounge features 50-cent slices of pizza.
West Winds Golf Course – The course holds longest drive and closest-to-the-pin contests.
Yellow Sea Bowling Center – Bowl for \$1 per game with 75-cent shoe rental. The center also holds a 40-frame game tournament.
Falcon Community Center – Kunsan’s Fear Factor II competition continues.
Wolf Pack Fitness Center – A mountain bike ride for novice riders begins at 9 a.m.

MONDAY

Loring Club – The club holds a nine-ball pool tournament.
West Winds Golf Course – The course holds longest drive and closest-to-the-pin contests.
Yellow Sea Bowling Center -- People can bowl for 50 cents per game with 50-cent shoe rental from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.
Falcon Community Center – Kunsan’s Fear Factor II concludes.
Wolf Pack Fitness Center – A Memorial Day five-kilometer fun run and walk begins at 9 a.m. A six-on-six dodge ball tournament follows at 11 a.m. An outdoor three-on-three double-elimination

basketball begins at 1 p.m.

TUESDAY

Loring Club – The Kunsan Hold’em tournament begins at 6 p.m. The club serves a tournament buffet at 5 p.m.
Yellow Sea Bowling Center – Ladies bowl for free starting at 6:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Loring Club – The club serves Mongolian barbecue from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.
Family Support Center – Return and reunion briefing, 3 p.m., Health and Wellness Center classroom in the Wolf Pack Fitness Center. This mandatory briefing addresses challenges of challenges facing single and married military members preparing to return to their families.
Falcon Community Center -- Karaoke night runs from 8 p.m. to midnight.
Yellow Sea Bowling Center – Bowl for \$1 per game.

THURSDAY

Loring Club – Comedy night featuring Bob Perkell and Jeffrey Steele starts at 7 p.m. Super social hour starts at 6 p.m.
Family Support Center – A Korean orphanage outing leaves the military personnel flight parking lot at 6:15 p.m. The weekly outings give base people a chance to interact with local Korean orphans. To register, call 782-3772 or 782-5644.
Yellow Sea Bowling Center – Bowl for \$1 per game.

UP ‘N’ COMING

Loring Club – An Latin soul concert featuring music by Lugo starts at 9 p.m. June 3.
Falcon Community Center – The center features trips to the South Gate Market and It’aewon in Seoul on June 4 and to the DLI Building to visit its IMAX theater and sea aquarium June 5. To register for either trip, call the center at 782-4679 or 782-5213. The center’s next Halo 2 tournament begins at 3:30 p.m. June 4, and its next chess tournament starts at 3:30 p.m. June 5.
Outdoor Recreation – A paintball tournament starts at 10 a.m. June 4 at Wolf Pack Park.
West Winds Golf Course – The course holds its next long-drive event June 18 and a closest-to-the-pin contest June 19.
Yellow Sea Bowling Center -- The center holds a country night howling bowl June 17. Its “Bowl for Stars & Strikes” event continues through Aug. 15.
Family Support Center -- The center holds pre-separation briefings from 9 to 10 a.m. each Friday for members about to separate or retire from the service. Classes run from 9 to 10 a.m. in Building 755, Room 215. To register, call 782-5644.

To submit events for 7-Days, send an e-mail to 8 FW/PA WolfPack@kun-san.af.mil. Submissions are due by noon Thursday one week prior to publication and must include time, date, location and daytime phone number. For details, call the base newspaper office at 782-4705/

MOVIES

“A LOT LIKE LOVE”

Rating: PG-13 for sexual material, nudity and language
Staring: Ashton Kutcher and Amanda Peet
Synopsis: After declaring themselves wrong for each other, a young man and woman discover they may have feelings for each other when they keep running into each other over the next seven years.
Show times: 7 and 9:30 p.m. today and Saturday

“MISS CONGENIALITY 2: ARMED AND DANGEROUS”

Rating: PG-13 for sex-related humor
Staring: Sandra Bullock and Regina King
Synopsis: An FBI agent turned overnight media celebrity jumps back into action when her best friends are kidnapped.
Show times: 6 and 8:30 p.m. Sunday and 8 p.m. Tuesday

“HOSTAGE”

Rating: R for strong graphic violence, language, and drug use
Staring: Bruce Willis and Kevin Pollak
Synopsis: A former hostage negotiator with the Los Angeles Police Department must save his wife and daughter after a botched convenience store robbery causes the perpetrators to move in on his unsuspecting family.
Show times: 8 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday

CHAPEL SERVICES

Catholic services
Daily Mass — 11:30 a.m. Monday through Thursday
Weekend Mass — 9 a.m. Sundays
Reconciliation — Monday through Friday by appointment, 4:30 p.m. Saturday, 8 a.m.
Sunday R.C.I.A. classes — 7 p.m. Wednesday, chapel conference room
Protestant services
General Protestant worship – 11 a.m. Sunday
Contemporary praise and worship – 6 p.m. Sunday
Gospel service – 1 p.m. Sunday
Inspirational praise and worship service – 7:30 p.m. Friday
Latter-Day Saint services
Weekly service — 3:30 p.m. Sunday
Sonlight Inn
The Sonlight Inn is open from 6 to 10 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, 6 p.m. to midnight Friday and 6:30 a.m. to midnight Saturday. The chapel hosts several Sunday school and Bible study groups at the Sonlight Inn. For more information, call the chapel at 782-4300.

FREE CLASSIFIEDS

Korean orphanage volunteers -- Wolf Pack members interested in volunteering to help at the local orphanage should call the Family Support Center at 782-5644.
American Red Cross opportunities -- The base Red Cross station has volunteer opportunities in a variety of agencies on base. For more information, call the station at 782-4601.
Chapel seeks volunteers -- The base chapel needs volunteers to serve in a variety of ministries with the Catholic parish and Protestant congregations. For more information, call the chapel at 782-4300.

WOLF PACK WHEELS SCHEDULE

Osan Air Base shuttle
Monday to Thursday – Leaves Kunsan at 7:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. Leaves Osan at noon and 6 p.m.
Friday – Leaves Kunsan at 7:30 a.m. and 3 and 6 p.m. Leaves Osan at noon and 10 p.m.
Saturday – Leaves Kunsan at 7:30 and 10 a.m. Leaves Osan at noon and 4 p.m.
Sunday – Leaves Kunsan at 7:30 a.m. and noon. Leaves Osan at noon and 5 p.m.
One-way tickets are \$12.50 for general Wolf Pack members or \$11.50 for Airman morale program members. Round trip tickets are \$25 or \$23 for Airman morale program members.
E-Mart shuttle -- Available Saturday and Sunday – Leaves Kunsan at 10 a.m., noon and 2, 4 and 6 p.m. and leaves the E-Mart at 11 a.m. and 1, 3, 5 and 6:30 p.m. Round trip tickets are \$3.
Incheon International Airport shuttle
Monday and Tuesday and Thursday to Saturday – Leaves Kunsan at 4 a.m. and 6 p.m., and leaves Incheon at 9 a.m. and 11 p.m. from Gate 11 at the Airport. One-way tickets are \$27.50 or \$25 for Airman morale program members.

Wolf Pack Airman chosen for combined forces volleyball team

Air Force men take armed forces volleyball crown

By Walt Johnson
Colorado Springs Military Newspaper Group

WASHINGTON — The Air Force men's volleyball team won the 2005 Men's Armed Forces Volleyball Championship here May 16 giving one of Kunsan's very own the opportunity to play on the combined services Armed Forces Volleyball team.

Staff Sgt. Tipton Street, 8th Maintenance Squadron, aircraft structural maintenance supervisor, was hand picked to join the Armed Forces Men's Volleyball team after his team won a command championship before going on to play on the Air Force team.

The Airmen began their run to the title by defeating the Navy 25-23, 25-17, 22-25 and 25-22. After the Army defeated the Marines — 12-25, 22-25, 25-21, 25-19 and 25-17 — they were in a position to take control of the tournament if they could beat Air Force.

Air Force had other thoughts, and pulled out a four-match victory (25-21, 25-23, 17-25 and 25-18) to finish the first night of the tournament undefeated.

On the second day of action, the

Air Force tightened its grip on the tournament. They defeated the Marines to take a 3-0 record into the third day of the tournament.

The third day of the tournament could have been the day the Air Force men put the championship away, but the other service teams were in no mood to let the eventual champions win it so soon.

The Air Force's team could have put a stranglehold on the men's title if it could defeat the Navy men. After going through the first round undefeated and watching the other service teams knock each other off, Air Force, with a victory would have mathematically wrapped the championship. Malu Segai, Air Force men's team head coach, said winning the championship was the goal from the beginning for his team, and it was right there for the taking.

"From the time the players arrived at the training camp in Hawaii, we told them our goal was to win the interservice championship," he said. "We had a very young team this year, but they quickly realized what it would take to win the tournament."

But Navy was not about to let the young Air Force team wrap up the

title. The Navy team played its best game of the tournament and beat the Air Force team in five sets (25-20, 21-25, 25-18, 18-25, 15-8). In the nightcap of second-round action, the Army teams defeated the Marine teams, setting up third-day action that would determine how the tournament would finish.

Air Force defeated the Army to push its record to 4-1 and assure itself of at least a tie for the title going into the last round of the tournament.

On the final day, the Air Force men had a simple mission: win its game against the Marines to succeed Navy as the armed forces champions. While a loss would not have ended the Air Force hopes of winning the title, it would have forced it into a playoff match against either the Navy or Army, because the winner of the Army-Navy game would have a 4-2 record that would have been similar to the Air Force.

Air Force did not leave anything to chance defeating the Marines 25-16, 25-14 and 25-19 to wrap up the championship.

Sgt. Street is scheduled to compete on the Armed Forces team today through June 5.



Courtesy photo

Air Force men's volleyball team won the 2005 Men's Armed Forces Volleyball Championship May 16 . They were 5-0 at the end of the championship giving their players first dibs at competing on the Armed Forces team.

SPORTS

SHORTS

All events, games or classes will be held at the base fitness center, unless otherwise stated.

Training

Rock Climbing

Instructors needed. Call 782-4026 to volunteer.

Aerobics

Spin Class

- ♦Monday through Thursday at 5:30 a.m.,
- ♦Monday through Thursday at 6 p.m.
- Sunday at 4 p.m.

Step Class

- ♦Monday and Wednesday at 5:30 a.m.
- ♦Tuesday and Thursday at 5:30 p.m.

Cardio Circuit

- ♦Monday at 5:30 p.m.

Pilates

- ♦Wednesday and Friday at 5:30 p.m.

♦Saturday at 10 a.m.

Martial Arts

Hapkido

- ♦Monday through Friday at 8 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Tang Soo Do

- ♦Monday through Friday at 6:30 and 11 a.m., and 7 p.m.
- ♦Saturday at noon

Tae Kwon Do

- ♦Monday through Friday at 11 a.m. and 8 p.m.

Kung Fu

- ♦Monday through Thursday at 8 p.m.

Information provided by 8th Services Squadron

'Chongo' Murff Memorial Golf Tourney

June 4 beginning at noon. The cost is \$25 for officers and \$20 for enlisted. The service includes 18 holes, a T-shirt and a barbecue following the tournament

E-mail 4-ship to michael.young1@kunsan.af.mil or call Lt. Young at 782-4703.

Cultural Corner

The Flag of South Korea

The symbolism of the flag comes from the Taoist philosophy of yin-yang. The flag has three parts: The white background, the red and blue circle in the center and four trigrams, one in each corner of the flag.

The white background symbolizes peace.

The red and blue circle is called "Taeguk," the origin of all things in the universe; holding the two principles of yin-yang in perfect balance.

The blue (bottom half), represents hope and the concept of yin.

The red (top half) represents nobility and the concept of yang. Together they stand for the creation of the truth of the universe and its development through the harmony of yin and yang.



The four trigrams in the flag represent:

- ☰ (top left) = heaven
- ☷ (bottom left) = fire
- ☵ (top right) = water
- ☴ (bottom right) = earth

Memorial Day sports events

Saturday

♦West Winds Golf Course:
Two-person scramble tournament, shotgun start at 7:30 a.m.

Sunday

♦West Winds Golf Course:
Longest drive and closest to the pin contest
♦Fitness center:
Mountain bike ride (novice riders), begins at 9 a.m.

Monday

♦West Winds Golf Course:
longest drive & closest to the pin contest
♦Fitness center:
Memorial Day 5k fun run/walk, begins at 9 a.m.
A six on six dodgeball tourney , begins at 11:00 a.m.
A three on three basketball tourney, double elimination, begins at 1 p.m.

Wolf Pack gets taste of Asian-Pacific culture



Col. William Becker, 8th Fighter Wing vice commander, samples some of the traditional dishes at the luau.



Photos by Staff Sgt. Alan Port

Members from a local Korean dance group perform at the Asian Pacific Heritage Month Luau at the base football field Saturday evening. More than 300 people turned out to enjoy entertainment and food representing different Asian and Pacific nations during the annual event.



Members of the base's Asian Pacific Heritage Club perform a traditional Hula during the evening's entertainment.



Wearing an inflatable suit to simulate the girth of a champion sumo wrestler, Senior Airman Rachel Gatto from the 8th Maintenance Squadron "splashes" her opponent during a mock sumo match at the luau. Once a traditional Japanese sport, sumo wrestling continues to grow in interest around the world.